# Church News

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the first by Rev. C. L. Nourse, and on the second by Rev. H. C. Arthur, both of New Orleans.

#### MISSISSIPPI.

Synod of Mississippi: At the request of the retiring moderator, Elder J. R. Dobyns, the opening sermon at the meeting of the Synod of Mississippi, in Yazoo City, in November, will be preached by Rev. J. B. Hutton, D.D.

Synod of Mississippi: The three new Sabbath-schools recently organized are as follows: By Rev. W. F. Creson, on August 29, at Talbot school-house, near the Louisiana line, with twenty five charter members; on September 19, by the McComb Sunday-school, three miles from McComb, with eighteen charter members. Thirteen members of the Forest Church went ten miles north of Forest to a little hamelt called Steele and organized a Sabbath-school with fifty mem-Great results are being accomplished through the extension work of the Synod.

Shuqualak: Dr. H. M. Sydenstricker, of West Point, preached with clearness and much profit to these people five days this summer, as he did last. The whole community enjoyed the simple yet forcible presentation of divine truth. Two were added on examination, children of the church, though nearly all are quite grown in years. Another has united since the meeting. The children of this church are gathered in as they grow up. We bless God for His work among these people.

Bethel: This church, in East Mississippi Presbytery, has recently enjoyed a very precious season of refreshing. The meeting continued through six days with interest and profit to the community. It began on Sabbath. Rev. J. W. Allen, of Boonville, came on Monday and preached with great power and acceptance till Friday night, the old truths of the gospel, showing that these have not lost their saving effect. Eleven were added to the church on profession of faith and the church has been strengthened and edified. To God be all the glory. For this his people had been praying and he did not disappoint them.

#### NORTH CAROLINA.

Rev. L. W. Curtis, Presbyterian Evangelist, held a week's meeting at Philippi Church. Ten were added to the church on profession of faith.

Rev. L. B. Tate, of Chunju, Korea, lectured recently to the Hamlet Church. He told in burning words of the marvelous growth of our church there and of the urgent, immediate needs of the field.

Spencer and Chestnut Hill Churches have had their new pastor, Rev. R. E. Steele, installed. Mr. Steele is well remembered as for several years the superintendent of the Seamen's Bethel in New Orleans, as a chaplain in the Spanish-American war, and as a pastor in Virginia for several years past. His work in his new field has already resulted well, seventeen members having been received in the Spencer Church and two in the Chestnut Hill Church.

A Sunday School Missionary for Fayetteville Presbytery: Last spring the Presbyterial Committee on Sabbath Schools made an earnest appeal for a more aggressive work in the Sabbath schools of Fayetteville Presbytery. The opportunity for such work is great and inviting at this time. We need two missionaries in order to do the work thoroughly. One to re-organize the weaker Sunday schools, to assist in organizing mission Sunday schools within the bounds of our large congregations. The other to plant mission Sunday schools in the destitute parts of the Presbytery and develop them into self-sustaining churches. An aggressive Sunday school work will be of inestimable value to our churches. It will call many willing workers into active Christian service, and will prove to be a feeder to our churches through the helding of evangelistic services at the mission points. No one will fear as to results, when he remembers that it is estimated at the present time seventy per cent of our churches came out of mission Sunday schools. Some weeks ago the Rowland Sunday school, W. D. Mc-Callum, superintendent, addressed a communication to the Sunday schools, inviting them to unite in an annual collection for the support of a Sabbath school missionary in Fayetteville Presbytery. Presbytery in session at Rockingham, endorsed the movement with enthusiasm and appointed the first Sabbath in November for taking a collection to support what shall be known as "The Children's Missionary of Fayetteville Presbytery." Therefore in the name of our Lord and Master, do we most earnestly appeal to the superintendents and teachers in Fayetteville Presbytery to present this cause to their schools. May it receive a liberal offering so that our missionary can enter upon the work at once. Forward your collections to Rev. W. T. Walker, Treasurer, Red Springs, N. C.

J. K. Roberts, Ch.

Statesville: Rev. C. E. Raynall was installed as pastor of the First Church on Sunday, October 3. Rev. J. M. Wharey presided and charged the pastor. Prof. Martin, an elder in the Davidson Church, charged the congregation. The whole service was of unusual interest and ability. A large congregation was present. If the manner in which the pastor was greeted at the close of the service is an indication of the pleasure of the church in receiving him, he certainly must have felt they were pleased. On the last Sabbath of September eight members were added to the roll. One gratifying fact is the large attendance on the prayer meeting. Mr. Raynal has taken a strong hold on the community.

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

Charleston: Many have learned with pleasure, because of his long and successful pastorate, that Rev. Alex. Sprunt, D. D., of the First Church, will not accept the call to the First Church, Columbia,

Rev. J. M. Harris, of Matthews, N. C., donated the communion service to the Thornwell Memorial Church. The church remembered him in their prayers at their first communion.

Rev. J. B. Branch, a former pupil of the institution, has been selected to aid in the work for the advancement of the Thornwell Orphanage. A special field has been assigned to him by the board. He has arrived and has taken hold of his work with interest.

The First Church Sunday-school, after the amicable secession of the pupils of the Thornwell Orphanage, has been reorganized, and though it lost 250 pupils at the time, is taking on a new and vigorous life. There were 214 present on Sabbath, October 3. This church had undertaken the support of a foreign missionary.

Longtown Church: This church has just closed a very successful meeting, in which the pastor, Rev. P. H. Moore, was ably assisted by Rev. R. G. McLees, Synodical evangelist. The Spirit was present in great power, and the whole congregation was strengthened and encouraged. There were twenty-two additions in all, one being dismissed to a neighborhood church, twenty on profession, two-thirds of the number being men. According to the testimony of the oldest members, this has been the greatest evangelistic meeting in the history of Longtown Church. A noticeable feat ure of the meeting was the amount of personal work done by the members of the congregation.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Union, of Pee Dee Presbytery. will hold its annual meeting at Marion. S. C., October 21-22. The missionary speakers will be Rev. L. C. Vass, of Luebo, Africa, and Rev. John Little, of Louisville, Ky. All Women's and Young People's Societies, and all churches having no societies, are urged to send two representatives. Send names to Miss Emma L. Salley, Marion, S. C.

Margaret P. James, President. An Appeal from Pee Dee Presbytery: The 50,000 women in the societies of our church could, by giving sixteen cents each, raise the \$8,000 needed to send out our new missionaries. Twenty-one young men and women are waiting to go, their salaries are provided for, but there is no money in the treasury to pay for outfit and traveling expenses, which amounts to \$400 each. Will not the Unions take up this matter at their fall meetings and . presidents of societies urge upon their members a prompt and generous response? We can do it, if we will.

Pee Dee.

### TENNESSEE.

Franklin: This church has just enjoyed a series of earnest, scriptural, helpful, heart searching sermons by Rev. J. W. Atwood, pastor-elect of the church at Clarendon, Ark. Mr. Atwood greatly endeared himself to the people of this church. Several elders and deacons renewed their vows of official fidelity, some heads of families promised to erect family altars, two united with the church on